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Hongkong, 26th March, 1896. [797]

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J. T. HAMILTON, Manager for the East. Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [771]

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## THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [22]

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## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG—MARCH 26TH, 1896.

One of the appendices to the annual report of the China Association contains the correspondence with reference to the proposed extension of the boundaries of Hongkong. On the 20th September, 1895, the Hongkong Branch telegraphed to the General Committee—“China Association much pleased with the position taken by Prime Minister regarding Kuching massacre. ‘Hope settlement come to will include extension boundaries Hongkong and opening West River.” On the 25th September this was followed by a letter, enclosing two letters addressed by the Hon. C. P. CHATER to the Governor, to which the attention of the home Association was called, with the remark that “some such extension as proposed by Mr. CHATER has, in the opinion of both naval and military experts, become essential for the protection of Imperial and Colonial interests, and officers of both services have at different times during recent years advanced the adoption of such a measure. The colony’s strength as a naval and military position, though primarily a local question, has a much wider significance, and would in the event of war no doubt become an important factor in connection with the large commercial interests attaching to the different treaty ports throughout China.” The first of Mr. CHATER’s letters is dated as far back as November, 1894, but its arguments are as sound to-day as the day they were penned. His second letter is dated the 16th September, 1895, and its special object was to call His Excellency’s attention to, and to ask him to urge upon Her Majesty’s Government, the immense importance of obtaining from the Chinese Government the trifling extension of territory so urgently needed. The special circumstances alluded to were the demands to be made upon China for satisfaction in respect of the Kuching massacre. On the 6th December the home Association replied to the effect that the views of the Hongkong Branch had been clearly laid before Her Majesty’s Government, and that the strategic importance of the position was unquestionably appreciated, though the assurances that it could be promptly occupied in case of need, and an impression of the cost of immediate fortification, might indispose the authorities to perceive the urgency, which is more apparent to the community of Hongkong.

In another column we reproduce the first of Mr. CHATER’s letters, to which we would invite our readers’ attention. It is an excellently written and well reasoned letter and the hon. gentleman merits the thanks of the public for the service he has rendered. The abstract importance of the extension he advocates appears to be recognised, according to the reply of the home Association, but the cost of fortification, and the assurance that the territory could be promptly occupied if the need may indispose the authorities to perceive the urgency, which is more apparent to the community of Hongkong.

The Sanitary Board met this afternoon, and the following are the orders of the day—Amendment of by-law 21 of the by-laws made under section 15 of Ordinance 15 of 1894.

Analyst’s reports on six samples of water drawn from wells in Victoria.

Assistant Surveyor’s report on the condition of the house drawn in Nos. 102, 114, 115, 116, 121, and 122, and 3, Pound Lane, 3, b, and 21 to 145, Shaukiwan.

Correspondence concerning the decrease of the number of children attending certain schools.

Correspondence concerning the cleansing and whitewashing of premises at Kowloon Point.

Correspondence concerning the steps to be taken to convert a basement floor into a ground floor.

Correspondence having regard to the status of the Interests of the Factors of Nusance.

The application to sell fruit elsewhere than in a public market.

An application to place on the list of contractors capable of undertaking dredging work.

An application for the permission of a landing stage for canoes, boats, and wares at Kennedytown.

Correspondence concerning an alleged breach of by-law regulating the licensing of cow sheds, etc.

Mortality returns for the weeks ended the 14th and 21st of March, respectively.

Ninety-two applications for licences and renewal of licences to keep swine.

## HON. C. P. CHATER ON THE EXTENSION OF THE COLONY’S BOUNDARIES.

The following is the first letter addressed by the Hon. C. P. CHATER to the Governor on the above subject—

Hongkong, 15th November, 1894.

Sir,—At an interview with you, yesterday, I took so good as to call on me on Thursday last, I took the history of the colony, Excellence’s attention to the very limited extent of the colony’s frontiers on the opposite mainland of China; to the very close proximity of the Chinese border line to the harbour and city of Victoria and to the fortifications that defend both; to the very great danger to which, in time of war, our colony would be, consequently, exposed; and to the very great inconvenience to our colony, even in time of peace, of being so situated as to suggest for your Excellency’s consideration that the present is a most favourable time for obtaining, if possible, a re-adjustment of boundaries and an extension of territory such as would obviate these inconveniences and preclude these dangers in the future. I further suggested that your Excellency might usefully call the attention of the Government in England to our position; to the dangers attendant on our colony, as they have been by recent events in China; and to the opportunity of improving that position by negotiations with the Chinese Government. Your Excellency was so good as to approve of what I said and to promise to forward and support any representations I might make to you in writing on the subject, and that you would be glad to have them sent forth at length, with the reasons adduced.

Events might happen at any moment that would compel us to disregard Chinese protest.

And, in view of the present state of affairs, I beg of your Excellency to press upon the attention of Her Majesty’s Government, in the platform of the extreme wing of the Opposition, naturally became a point of attack to the moderate and progressive side of the party, the opposition, under such form of engagement as that under which Portugal holds Macao, or we hold Cyprus; we understand that it shall be given up to the Oculists.

Your readers may also remember that according to our plan of strict-enforcement agitation itself proved an antidote to that feeling, inasmuch as the doctrine, by finding a prominent place in the platform of the extreme wing of the Opposition, naturally became a point of attack to the moderate and progressive side of the party, the opposition, under such form of engagement as that under which Portugal holds Macao, or we hold Cyprus; we understand that it shall be given up to the Oculists.

Events might happen at any moment that would cause us to be no better time than the present.

And the time is now or never.

And the great success of the Japanese to-day, however tremendous the disgrace and humiliation of China, is too instructive to be overlooked.

We think that we may claim the credit of having judged correctly, and that the attitude of the House of Representatives on Saturday goes far to confirm our views. In reply to Mr. Kuwahara’s proposal, the speech will be given by a tremendous oration, and quite a great political party—the Liberal (fifth) stood forward as champions of unrestricted foreign intercourse, headed by Oculists.

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Events might happen at any moment that would cause us to be no better time than

Machinery.—This is all in first class order. There are five main engine shafts now in work, scattered over a distance of three miles on the line of the main dock. All those, except British Malacca, which has only pumping machinery, are thoroughly equipped with pumping and winding plants.

Trade and Supplies.—No improvement has been made in this, but the Government are now pushing on the construction of the cart road from Kuala Kubu to Kuala Lipis, passing through Raub. It is a big undertaking, and it will be some time yet before it is completed; it will be of great assistance to us when it is open for traffic. A survey is also being made to continue the present Selangor railway into Kuala Lumpur.

Stores.—The mines are fairly supplied with stores, &c., in every department, particularly in firewood, of which we have a large supply at the various engines. The consumption of this is large, as we have now eight boilers constantly at work all night and day.

General.—The health of the camp has been good during the year and there has been no fatal or serious accident among the miners. In regard to the position of the Company as compared with this time last year, I must congratulate the shareholders on the steady improvement that has taken place in its position and prospects. Large additions have been made to the payroll in eight, and good progress made in developing the deeper levels. Great improvements have also been made in maintaining the iron from the mine to the mill. The miners do not care of the quality of the mine, and without asking any assistance from shareholders. Had it not been for the cost of these improvements, several dividends could have been paid, as well as the one I have recommended to be declared at the end of March. My object has been to bring the output of the mine more in keeping with the capital of the Company. I have, &c.,

Wx. BIRBY, Mining Manager.

#### THE LOSS OF THE "SPONDULIS."

THE COURT OF INQUIRY.—A Court of Inquiry was held at Singapore on the 13th and 14th March as to the loss of the steamer "Spondulis," of London, which went ashore on the 6th Inst. on Cape Varella. Mr. J. O. Anthony was President, with Lieut. H. D. Laston, R.N., Captain Hartman, acting deputy Master Attendant, and Captain Houghton, R.N.E., of the steamer "Orcia," as assessors.

The evidence given appears to fit the vessel left Singapore bound for Singapore, Hongkong, and London with general cargo. All went well until half-past two on the morning of the 6th, when she struck, and the captain, awakened by the order hard-a-starboard, went on the bridge to find his ship on rocks lying at the foot of cliffs between three and four hundred feet in height. The captain and all his officers agreed in their opinion that the vessel had struck, and Captain Schaefer steered a course to port, so that he could effect a landing and enable him to pass the Cape at a distance of twenty-two miles. He told the Court he was never surprised in his life when he found he was aground, and he could not account for it. The second officer, Edward Schaefer, was on watch at the time, and the captain averred that other officer did not call him (the captain) when land was sighted. Schaefer said he had no objection to the facts with his feet. He did not blow the whistle connecting the bridge with the chart room, as he had no time. Schaefer's story was that he only saw land two minutes before the vessel struck. The land was entirely covered with haze which lifted just after the vessel struck. In connection with this the captain said that when he came on deck it was possible to see three or four miles. Schaefer swore he did not see land until he was aground, and sighted. His watch certificate dated 1890, showed he lost it in the week. Sidney McDonnell, the third officer, stated that Schaefer was sober when he relieved Schaefer at midnight, and chief officer L. E. Snape testified to the captain's sobriety and steadiness. As to the weather, McDonnell said it was showery and occasionally misty up till eleven o'clock, but afterwards cleared up. There was hardly any current experienced, it was stated, from noon till the 6th. The books of the steamer "Orcia" showed that the night was slightly rainy and dark, and nothing could be seen. He did not see land, but he saw breakers about 150 yards from the vessel just before she struck. He called out to send the ship to port (Kiri), but no one answered. Schaefer, in reply to the Court, said he did not know the meaning of the word *kiri*.

The Court retired to consider the finding, returning after the lapse of an hour and a quarter.

**THE FINDING.**—The President, after recapitulating the circumstances, said: "The Court having regard to the circumstances find as follows:—There appears to be not the slightest doubt as to the position of the vessel at noon of the 5th of March, viz., latitude 15° 32' N., longitude 110° 13' E. From this position the course was to the southward, and the vessel was safe, as far as the compass or S. E. 9 degrees W. true. The standing of the "Spondulis" can only be accounted for by the existence of an abnormal set from the eastward during the interval between noon of March 5th and 2.30 a.m. of the 6th, combined with bad steering. Not the slightest blame can be attached to the master, and the witness showed that, after the stranding he took the necessary steps to refloat the vessel, and, failing that, to save the lives of those on board. The second officer is deserving of severe censure in two counts. First, in not taking the greatest care that the vessel was stored nothing to the westward as laid down in the master's night orders, and, secondly, knowing that the vessel must nearly run her distance to Cape Varella in not calling the master the weather being anything but clear, according to the evidence adduced."—*Straits Times.*

#### AN EVENING ASHORE AT SAIGON.

A LIEUTENANT OF THE ROYAL NAVY COURTMARTIALED.

**THE PRISONER ACQUITTED.**—At Portsmouth on the 20th February a court-martial was opened on board H.M.S. "Victory" for the trial of Lieutenant Richard Morrissey, of H.M.S. "Mercury," who was charged with that he, being a person subject to the Naval Discipline Act, was on the 4th December, 1890, drunk whilst on shore at Saigon, and that whilst on shore at Saigon was guilty of conduct unbecoming the character of an officer; and that on the 30th December he was absent without leave from H.M.S. "Mercury."

The circumstantial letter of Captain W. H. Fawkes, H.M.S. "Mercury," was to the effect that H.M. Consul at Saigon had forwarded to him a newspaper in which the conduct of a person belonging to a ship under his (Captain Fawkes') command was commented upon. He made inquiries and elicited the following facts: Lieutenant Morrissey was on shore at Saigon on the 30th December, 1890, and was a general officer, consorting with pirates of the French army and dancing or attempting to dance with them in a public place. The only two officers who were new enough to him to give evidence on this point consider that he was drunk. Lieutenant Morrissey did not return till about 7 a.m. on the 5th Dec. He had not the captain's permission to sleep out of the ship, nor did he inform the commanding officer it was his intention to do so.

Mr. Biscoe Smith appeared as prisoner's friend.

Assistant Paymaster R. A. M. Burridge said he saw the prisoner dancing with French soldiers to the strains of a military band in the centre of a bazaar at Saigon. Lieutenant Morrissey was drunk at the time and walked to a cafe with a French private on either side of him.

Cross-examined by Mr. Smith.—Prisoner was in plain clothes. The man he was dancing with was not an officer. He could not say whether officers and men of the regiment were exactly the same uniform. It was a fatigued day at Saigon on the 4th December.

Assistant Engineer E. J. Hooverso said that when he addressed the prisoner on the jury at Saigon he was answered in a "surly tone." He judged from that prisoner was drunk.

The prisoner had 150 people in a party, but they were not all officers.

Cross-examined.—If the uniforms of officers and privates of the French regiment were alike, and he did not know to the contrary, it was possible that they may have been officers.

By the Court.—He took the two men whom prisoner was with to be privates. Lieutenant Morrissey endeavoured to induce the couple to dance, but as they refused he did a few steps himself. It was a fairly bright moonlight.

Lieut. W. H. Fawkes, H.M.S. "Mercury," the prisoner sat down at a table opposite the cafe with two privates in the French army. Both officers and men wore white uniforms, but the former had swords. Witness was not aware that sol-

diers in the French artillery wore swords. Lieutenant Morrissey's conduct on that night was that of an officer and a gentleman.

By the Court.—At the early prisoner was the only one of the crew who was not the Frenchman. If they were privates, Lieutenant Morrissey's conduct was not that of an officer and a gentleman serving in the British navy.

(Witness was warned that his statements were not recollectable.) He believed that the associates of the prisoner were privates in the French army. They were not wearing swords.

Lieut. J. H. Lambert, R.M.L.I., deplored seeing the prisoners in such a state of disarray.

French officers of superior rank, but there was a junior rank that distinguished. He was of opinion that the two soldiers in question were privates.

Staff Surgeon W. G. K. Barnes, M.D., of H.M.S. "Mercury," gave similar evidence.

Cross-examined.—Had he frequently been informed that many privates in the French army were ignorant of birth and education.

It would be very easy for Lieutenant Morrissey to mistake a private for an officer of junior rank.

Lieutenant A. C. H. Pearson said that the prisoner presented himself on board on the morning of the 5th December after 6.30.

Cross-examined.—Prisoner, although his superior officer, would in the absence of the captain, inform witness he intended to sleep on the deck for the prosecution.

On behalf of the prisoner, Mr. Biscoe Smith read a statement to the effect that it was with the greatest regret Lieutenant Morrissey found himself before the Court to answer the three serious charges which had been brought against him. The officers were alleged to have taken place in the evening of the 4th December, that afternoon, to land and mount ashore with Lieutenant Dalgety shortly before seven. He left Lieutenant Dalgety on shore, as that officer had been asked to dine with the captain at an hotel. The captain, on shore, (he, the prisoner) believed he was left in command of the ship, and was about to go on shore without leave, and he informed his servants that he should sleep on shore. He had been on board the vessel to have asked his permission to be ashore at 6.30 a.m. He had been ashore with Lieutenant Dalgety shortly before seven. He left Lieutenant Dalgety on shore, as that officer had been asked to dine with the captain at an hotel. 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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1896. [782]

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THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"DESHAWUR,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO, AND SINGAPORE.

Consignee of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

This vessel brings on cargo:-

From London, ex s.s. "Himalaya."

From Australia, ex s.s. "Mossbrae."

From Calcutta, ex s.s. "Nubia."

From Persian Gulf, ex s.s. "King Arthur and Mecca."

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions to the contrary before 11 A.M. To-morrow, 21st inst.

Cargo not cleared by the 27th inst., at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same given to the undersigned on or before the 28th inst., after which no claims will be recognized.

ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1896. [782]

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"NOBE."

Captain G. E. Pfaff, having arrived from the above ports. Consignees of cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 A.M. To-day.

A cargo of coal, for discharge, will be landed at the Godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf, and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after the 28th inst. will be subject to rent.

No broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1896. [782]

STEAMSHIP "YARIA"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of cargo from London ex s.s. "Northe" and "Cambridge" from Havre ex s.s. "Ganissou," from Bureauc and ex s.s. "President" "Leger" and "Ville d'Arce," in connection with above steamer, are hereby informed that their goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stowed at their risk into the Godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 2 P.M. To-day, the 21st inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 23rd inst., at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before SATURDAY, the 23rd inst., or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on SATURDAY, the 27th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

C. TOURNAIRE, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1896. [782]

PACIFIC MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CITY OF PEKING (via Nagasaki, Kobo Island, Sea, and Yokohama) TUESDAY, March 31, 1896, at NOON.

CHINA (via Nagasaki, Kobo, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, April 16, 1896, at NOON.

PEKING (via Nagasaki, Kobo, Inland Sea, and Yokohama) SUNDAY, May 3, 1896, at DAYLIGHT.

THE U.S. Mail Steamship "CITY OF PEKING" will be dispatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, AND YOKOHAMA, ON TUESDAY, the 31st March, 1896, at NOON, taking Passengers and Freight for the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at NAGASAKI, and all other ports of call.

Passenger tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO ROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN, PACIFIC, CENTRAL, and AMERICAN RAILWAYS; and the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of \$2 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of \$2 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after NOON of the 26th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1896. [782]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"CANTON,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, AND STRAITS.

Consignees of cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. To-day.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same given to the undersigned on or before the 2nd prox., after which no claim will be recognized.

ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1896. [782]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO, EX O. S. C. & S. MENSAWS, FROM LIVERPOOL.

SHIPPING Orders may be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 26th inst., for shipment on steamer "PALAMED," BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1896. [782]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "ENERGETA" FROM MIDDLEBROOK, LIVERPOOL, AND STRAITS.

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